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Agenda

- ▶ Budget Overview
- ▶ Health Outcomes
- ▶ Medicaid Expansion
- ▶ LDH Priorities

FY 2017-18 Budget

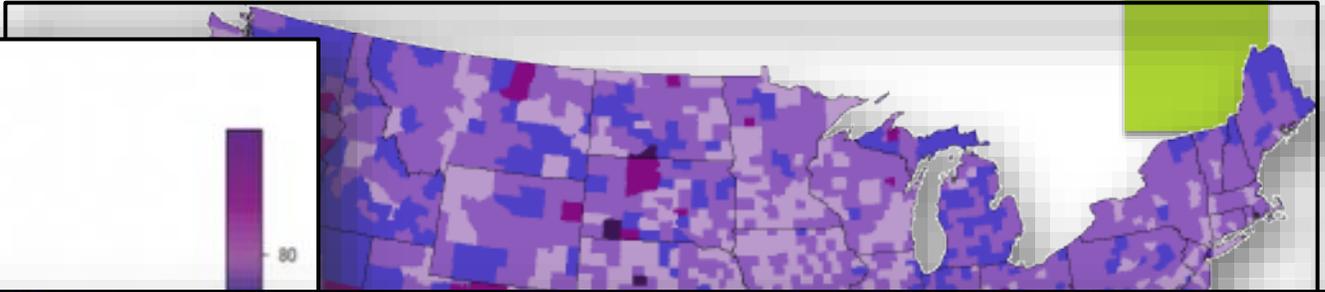
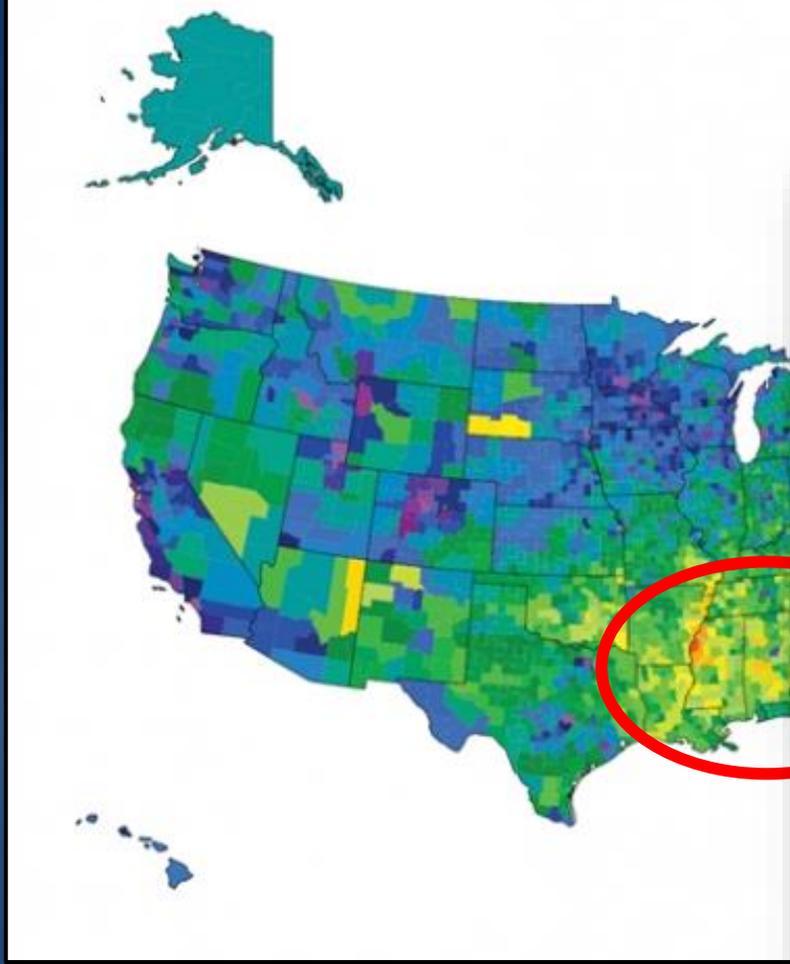
Means of Finance	Amount
State General Fund	\$2,410,874,521
Interagency Transfers	\$305,571,745
Fees & Self-Generated Revenue	\$510,154,478
Statutory Dedication	\$842,350,843
Federal Funds	\$9,499,160,003
TOTAL LDH Budget	\$13,568,111,590

- LDH was appropriated **14% less in SGF dollars** than last fiscal year
- LDH **Self-Generated Revenue will increase by 71%** this fiscal year

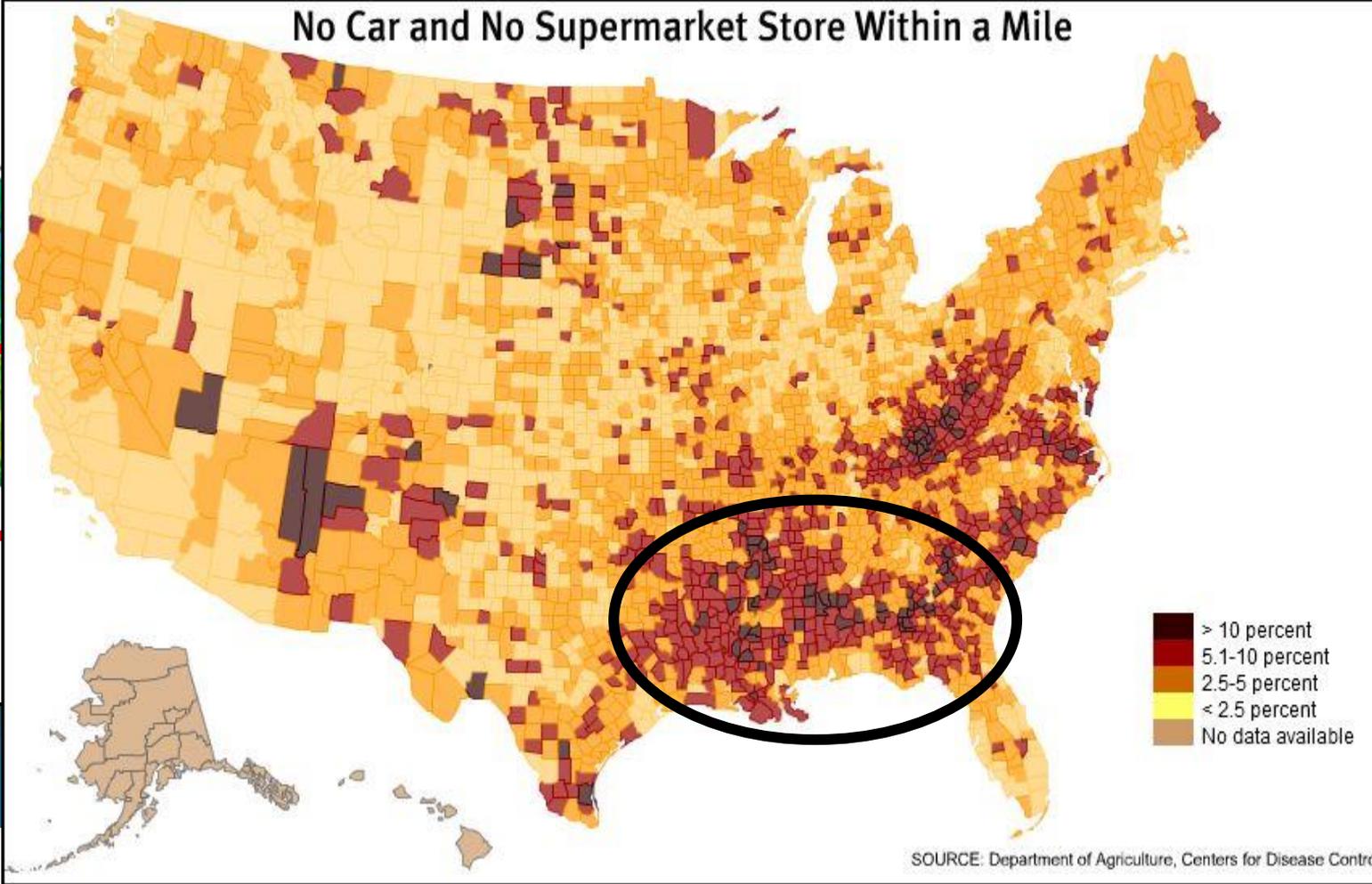
LDH Budget History

- ▶ Our Medicaid budget is *cost stable per capita* when adjusted for inflation and has been since 2005.
- ▶ The budget directly correlates to the number of Louisianians we cover, and the total under coverage is now 1.6 million people.

Figure 16: US life expectancy by county, males, 2010



No Car and No Supermarket Store Within a Mile



SOURCE: Department of Agriculture, Centers for Disease Control

What **Makes** Us Healthy



What We **Spend** On Being Healthy



- ▶ In healthcare, we are tilting at windmills.
- ▶ Shouldn't we be trying to **prevent poor health outcomes** on the front end rather than paying for them afterwards?

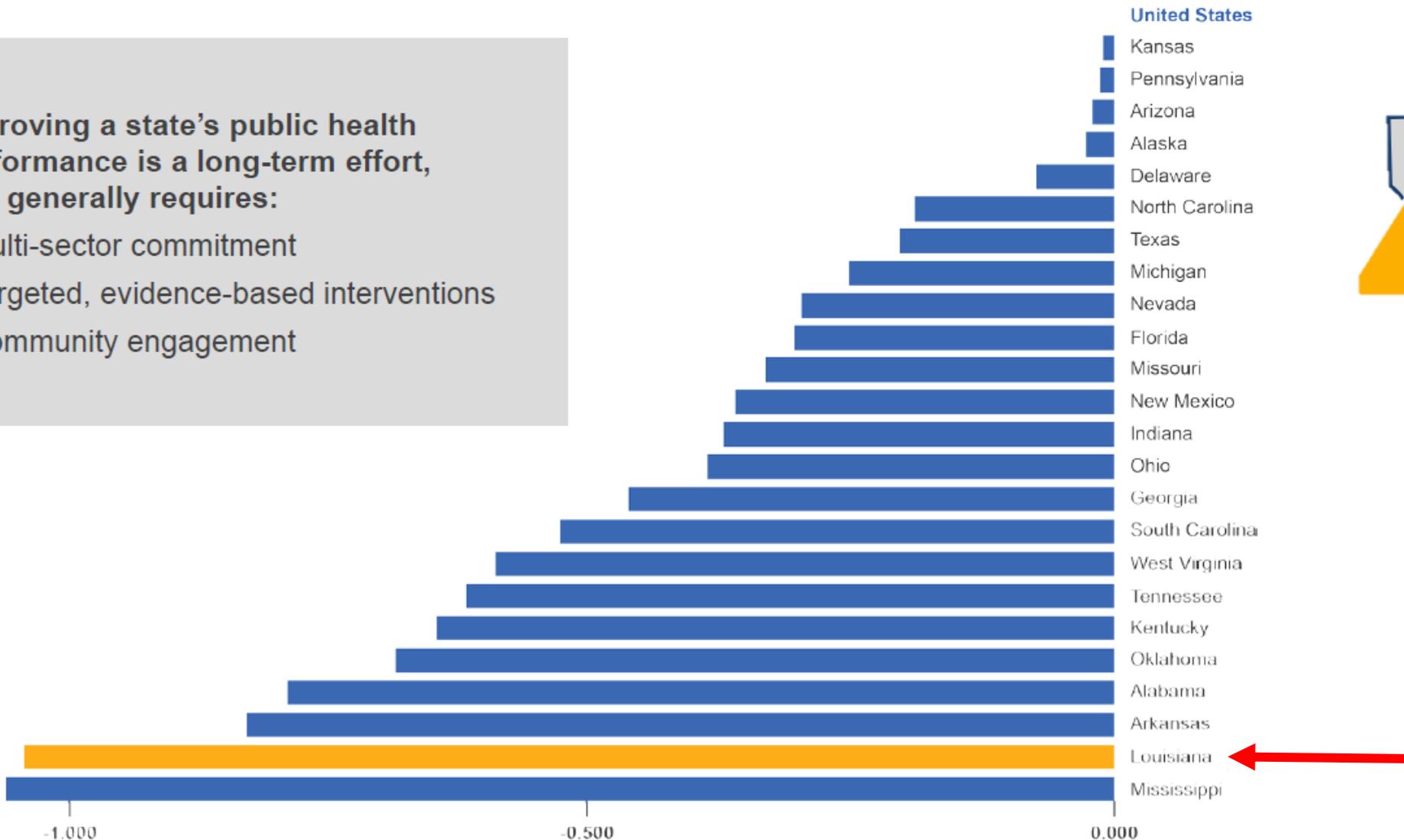
Comparing Louisiana's Performance to Others

Assessing the Performance of States Ranked #27 through #50

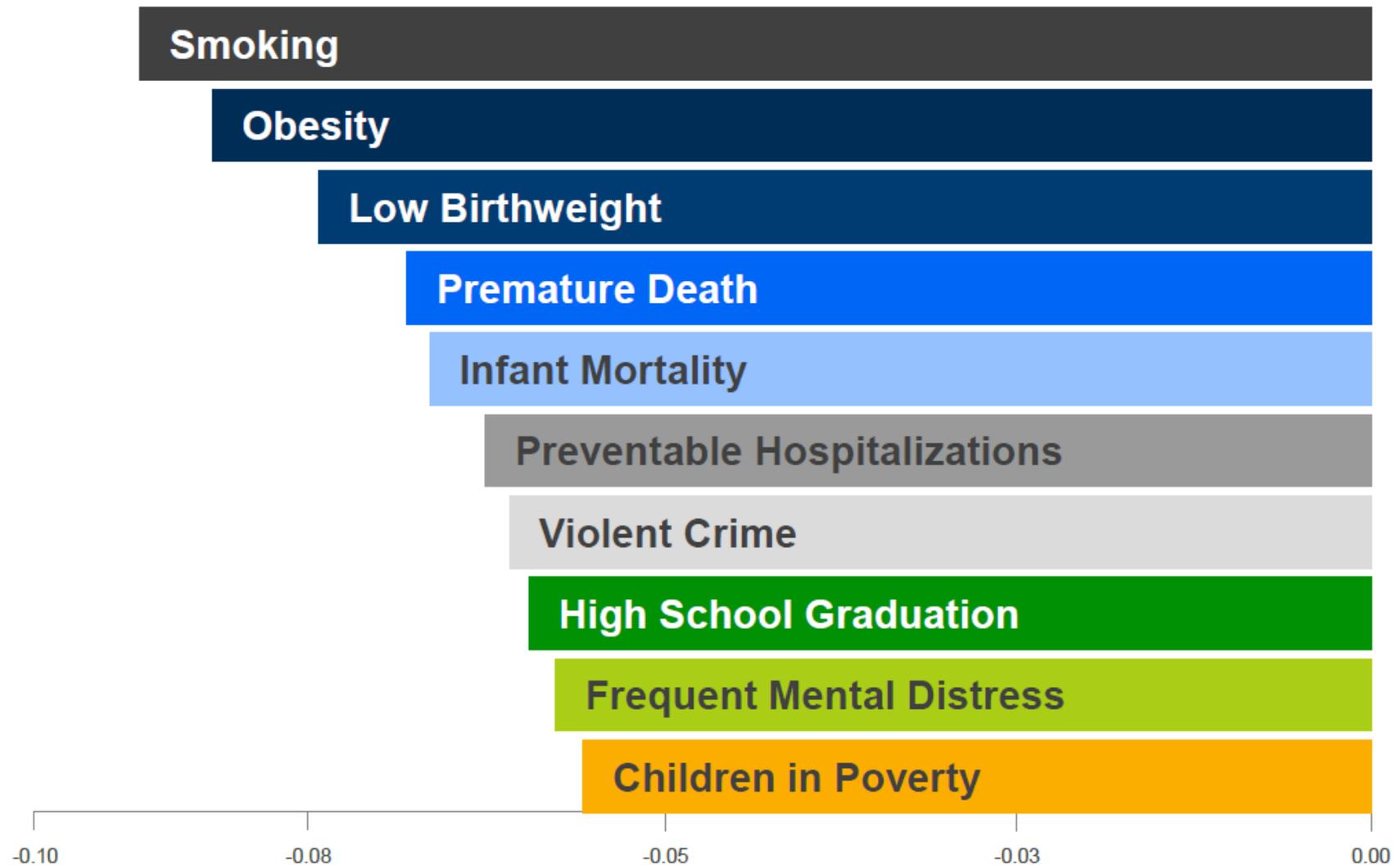


Improving a state's public health performance is a long-term effort, and generally requires:

- Multi-sector commitment
- Targeted, evidence-based interventions
- Community engagement



Key Drivers in Louisiana's 2016 Annual Rank



Possible Actions to Improve Louisiana's Rank

#49
TO
#48



Reduce the prevalence of low birthweight to the national average (from 10.5% to 8.0%)



Reduce the infant mortality rate to the national average (from 8.1 to 5.8 deaths per 1,000 live births)

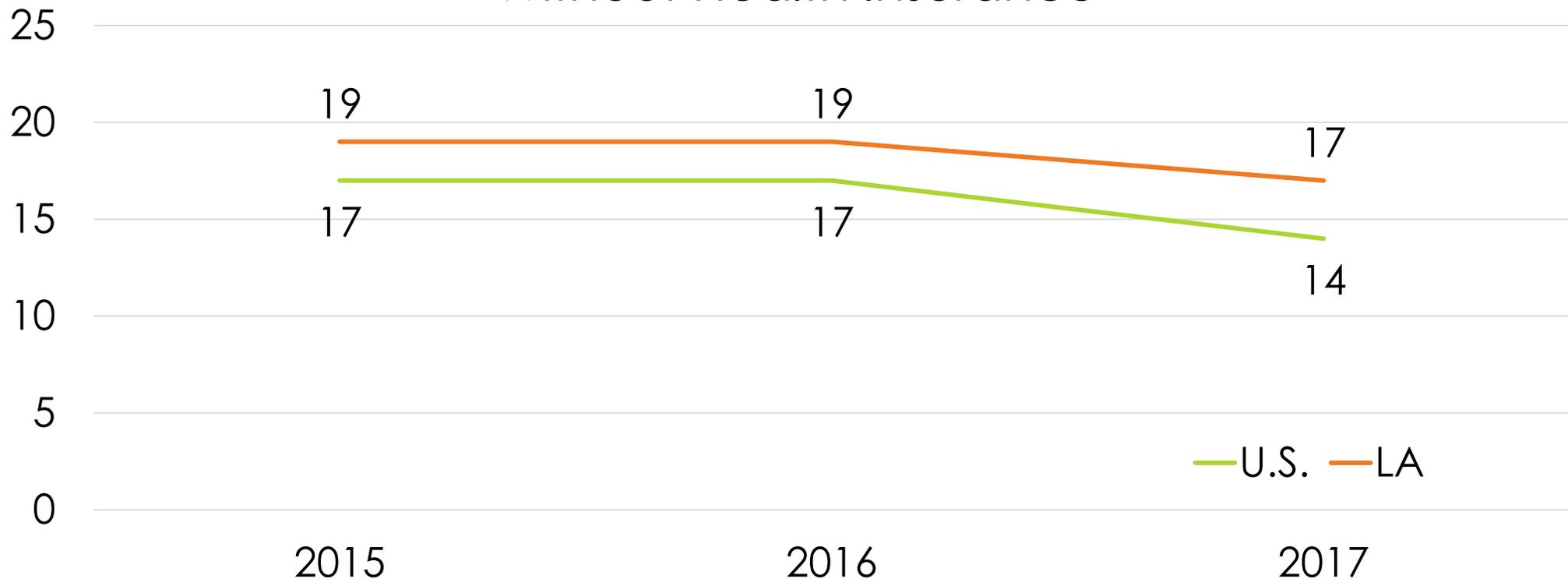


Reduce preventable hospitalizations to the national average (from 67.5 to 49.5 per 1,000 beneficiaries)

Louisiana's premature death rates would decline from 9,958 to 9,300 years lost before age 75 per 100,000 population, largely driven by lower infant mortality

Health Insurance Coverage

Percent of Population Under Age 65
Without Health Insurance



Medicaid Expansion



- ▶ Governor Edwards was the true champion
- ▶ Despite hurdles along the way, LDH used key strategies to get Expansion off the ground
- ▶ People covered = lives saved

LIVES AFFECTED	OUTCOME	
 432,258	Health Insurance Adults enrolled in Medicaid Expansion as of September 05, 2017	Details
 115,142	Preventive Care Adults who received preventive healthcare or new patient services*	Details
 19,150	Breast Cancer Women who've gotten screening or diagnostic breast imaging*	Details
196	Women diagnosed with breast cancer as a result of this imaging*	
 12,418	Colon Cancer Adults who received colon cancer screening*	Details
3,785	Adults with colon polyps removed: colon cancer averted *	
180	Adults diagnosed with colon cancer as a result of this screening*	

 3,275	Newly Diagnosed Diabetes Adults newly diagnosed and now treated for Diabetes*	Details
 8,335	Newly Diagnosed Hypertension Adults newly diagnosed and now treated for Hypertension*	Details
 29,504	Mental Health Adults receiving specialized outpatient mental health services*	Details
5,210	Adults receiving inpatient mental health services at a psychiatric facility*	
 4,911	Substance Use Adults receiving specialized substance use outpatient services*	Details
5,336	Adults receiving specialized substance use residential services*	

Louisiana Survey finds most residents approve of Medicaid expansion

47 Views

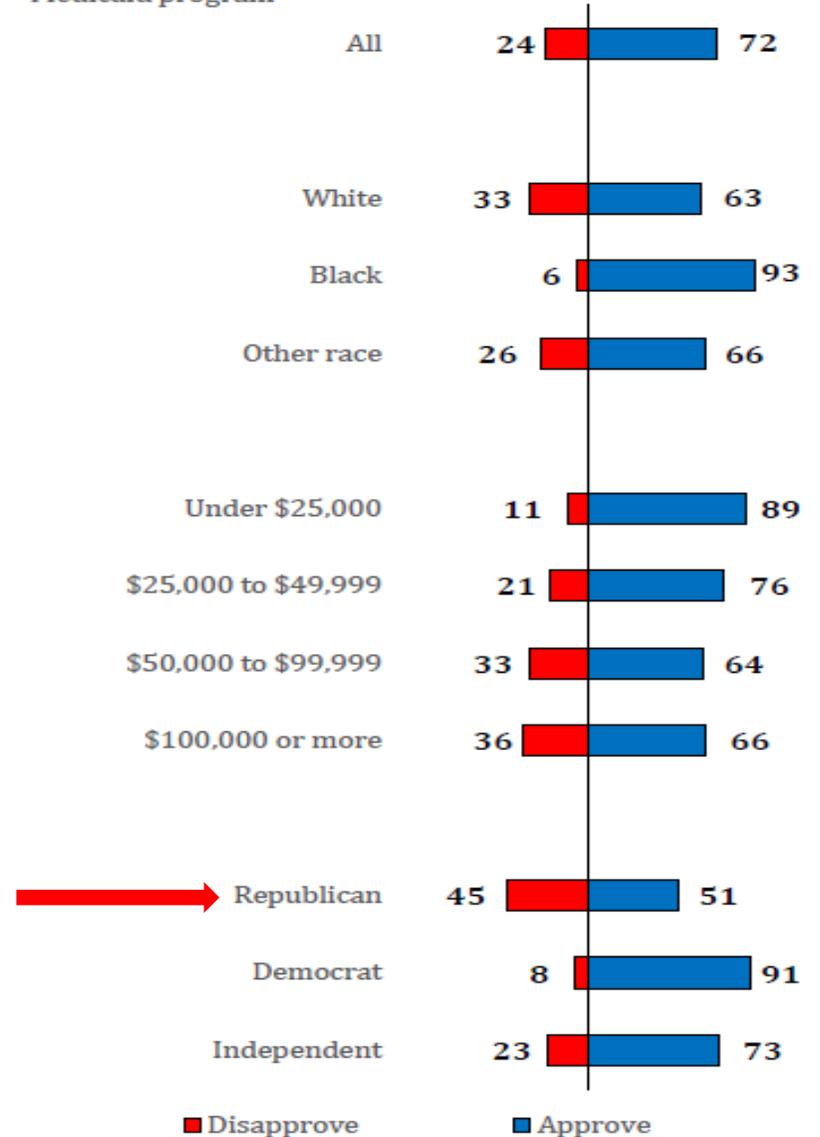


Most Louisiana residents approve of Medicaid expansion, according to an LSU survey. Director of the LSU Public Policy Research Lab, Dr. Michael Henderson says 72 percent of respondents for the 2017 Louisiana Survey approve of the expansion. He gave the approval rating for the Affordable

A 2017 survey completed by LSU shows that Louisiana residents approve of the state's decision to expand Medicaid.

Figure 1: Widespread Approval of Medicaid Expansion in Louisiana

Percent who say they _____ of the state expanding its Medicaid program



SOURCE: 2017 Louisiana Survey

Louisiana health secretary: Medicaid rollback would be 'irresponsible, inhumane'

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Trumpcare would destroy Louisiana's fragile coverage gains for the poor

The state's belated Medicaid expansion is especially vulnerable under the Senate GOP's Obamacare repeal plan.



Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Seema Verma listen at right as President Donald Trump speaks during a meeting in the Roosevelt Room of the White House in Washington. CREDIT: AP Photo/Evan Vucci

Health Care Coverage

410,000
more uninsured

The Senate bill (BCRA) would increase the number of uninsured people under age 65 in Louisiana by 410,000 by 2022.

Source: L.J. Blumberg, et al. State-by-State Coverage and Government Spending Implications of the Better Care Reconciliation Act, Urban Institute, June 28, 2017

Hospital Finances

Under the AHCA (House bill), Louisiana hospitals would face a 36% increase in uncompensated care (treatments and services not paid for by an insurer or patient) and 2.2 percentage point reduction in annual operating margins by 2026. Rural hospitals would face a 30% increase in uncompensated care and 3.0 percentage point reduction in operating margins.

Source: R. Haught, A. Dobson, J. DaVanzo, and M. K. Abrams, "How the American Health Care Act's Changes to Medicaid Will Affect Hospital Finances in Every State," To the Point, The Commonwealth Fund, June 23, 2017.

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State Revenue

\$10.3 billion in
federal funding
potentially lost

Louisiana could lose between \$1.8 billion and \$10.3 billion in federal Medicaid funds in 2026 under the AHCA.

Source: C. Mann et al., "Expect the Unexpected: The Impact of Medicaid Caps," To the Point, The Commonwealth Fund, June 30, 2017.

Jobs

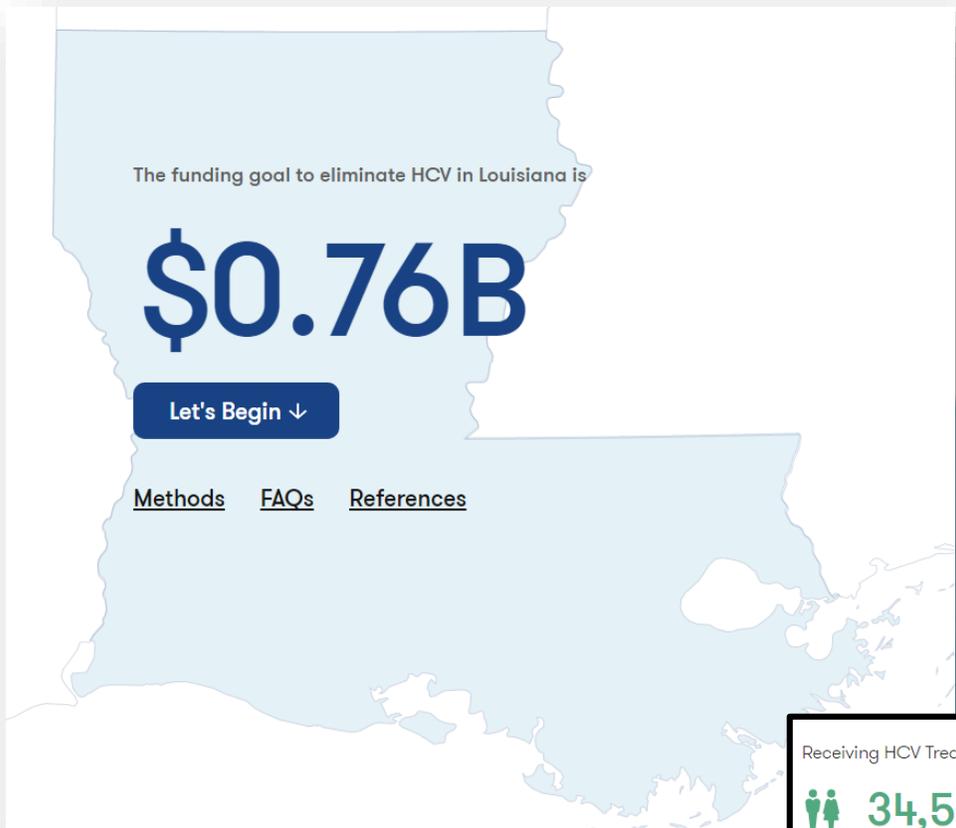
The BCRA would lead to about 22,200 fewer Louisiana jobs by 2026.

Source: L. Ku, E. Steinmetz, E. Brantley et al., The American Health Care Act: Economic and Employment Consequences for States, The Commonwealth Fund, June 2017.

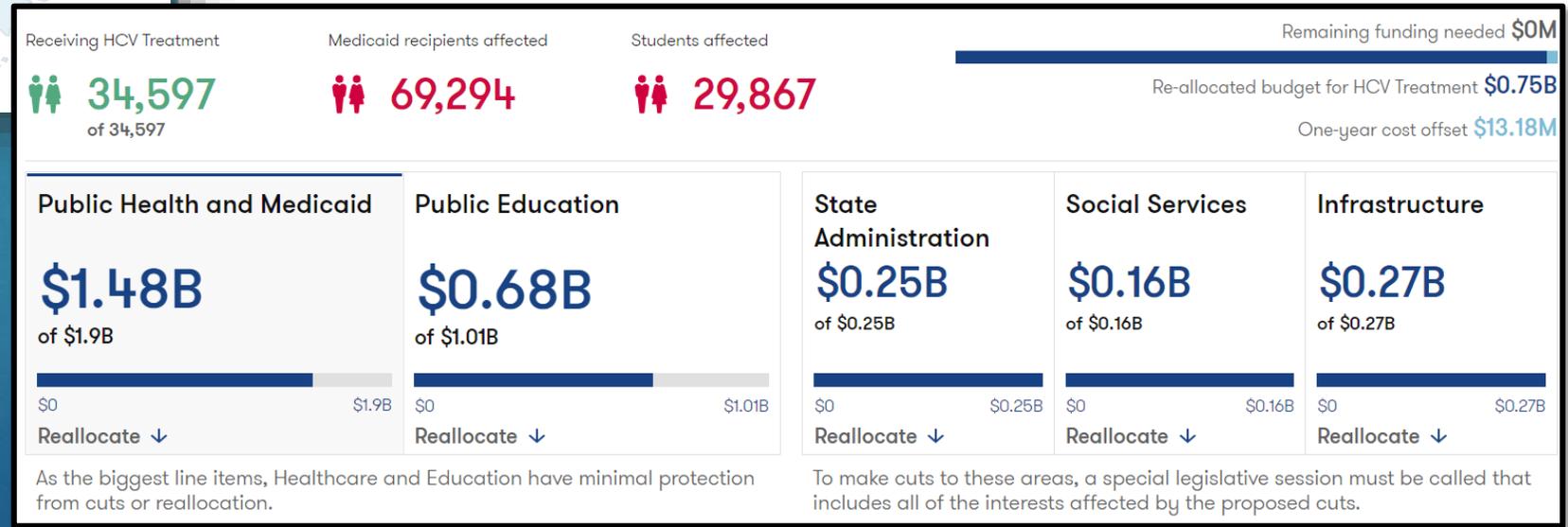
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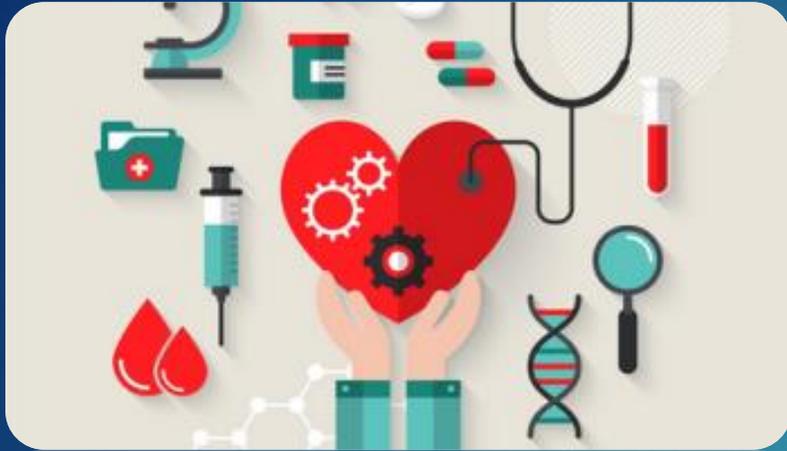
LDH Priorities

- ▶ Fighting Rising Healthcare Costs
- ▶ Health Promotion
- ▶ Improving Health Outcomes



- ▶ In 2015 and 2016, the most expensive prescription drugs were for the hepatitis C virus (HCV).
- ▶ In 2017, LDH created the Louisiana Budget allocator in partnership with Memorial Sloan Kettering.





Social Factors

Economic Factors

Behavioral Factors

Built Environment

Access & Quality of Care

- ▶ We must establish a *culture of health* – to afford every Louisianian the opportunity to lead a healthy life by addressing all the factors that affect health.

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NATIONAL HEALTHCARE GROUP RECOGNIZES LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WITH PRESTIGIOUS AWARD



Well-Ahead Louisiana, an initiative of the Louisiana Department of Health, was recently honored with the prestigious Wellness Frontiers Award, presented by the Healthcare Leadership Council.

The Healthcare Leadership Council created the Wellness Frontiers Award to promote best practices and draw attention to existing wellness initiatives that demonstrate excellence and quality.

Well-Ahead Louisiana earned this recognition for their work to create WellSpots across Louisiana. WellSpots are worksites, hospitals, schools, child care centers, colleges/universities, and restaurants that have worked with the Louisiana Department of Health to meet wellness benchmarks, and to implement voluntary, smart changes to make healthier living easier for all Louisiana residents.

"The greatest healthcare challenge our nation faces today is the escalation of chronic illnesses like diabetes and heart disease. The good news is that we can successfully combat this problem through innovative approaches that encourage wellness and healthy lifestyles," said Mary R. Grealy, president of the Healthcare Leadership Council. "We are recognizing the Well-Ahead Louisiana initiative because its WellSpot Designation Program is exactly the kind of exciting, game-changing program that should be spotlighted and replicated throughout the United States."

Tobacco Free

Healthy Eating

On The Go

Balance

Changing the Culture on Tobacco

- ▶ Tobacco use is the leading preventable cause of death in the United States.
- ▶ In Louisiana, over 7,000 adults die each year from smoking, and 98,000 kids under 18 will die prematurely from smoking.
- ▶ Smoking monetary costs:
 - \$1.89 billion annual healthcare costs in LA
 - \$803 million Medicaid costs in LA

They focus on 5 priority areas:

1. Prevention Initiation of Tobacco Use Among Young People
2. Eliminate Exposure to Secondhand Smoke
3. Promote Quitting Among Adults and Young People
4. Statewide Coordination and Evaluation/Surveillance
5. Eliminate Disparities Related to Tobacco-Use

- ▶ Louisiana has formulated a Tobacco Control Strategic Plan formulated in coordination with national, state, and local organizations.



Fighting the Opioid Epidemic

- ▶ Legislation
- ▶ Federal Grants
- ▶ Policy Updates



Other Highlights & Improvements

- ▶ Infant Mortality
- ▶ Pre-Release Medicaid Enrollment
- ▶ STD/HIV Reduction Strategy
- ▶ Hospital Payment Reform

Questions?

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